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SUBJECT: SOVIET ARMS SHIPMENTS TO NORTH VIET- NAM (C- ER-3-57250)

1. THERE IS PRESENTLY NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN SAIGON RELEVANT TO SUBJECT REQUIREMENT, EXCEPT THAT ORIGINATED BY WASHINGTON ANALYSTS AND FORWARDED THROUGH OTHER AGENCY' S CHANNELS. NOR DO WE ANTICIPATE ACQUIRING ANY IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. WHILE HANOI HAS AUGMENTED ITS MILITARY ARSENAL IN THE SOUTH, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO AIR DEFENSE CAPABILITIES (E. G. SAM-2' S AT KHE SANH AND 57 MM AAA AROUND LOC NINH) AND HEAVY ARTILLERY AND ARMOR IN THE COSVN AREA, WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY NEW TYPES OF WEAPONS I. E. THOSE NOT PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED WHICH WERE INTRODUCED INTO SVN SINCE THE CEASEFIRE. THE BIG CHANGE IS QUANTITY.

3. SHOULD PERTINENT INFORMATION BECOME AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY WE WILL, OF COURSE, REPORT IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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